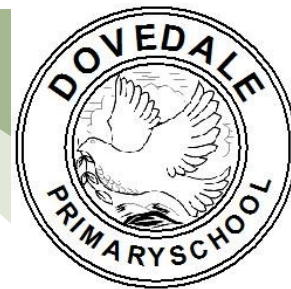


# Dovedale Primary School



We wish you a very warm welcome to Dovedale Primary School!

Here is a reminder of the reception team:

## RNS

Teacher: Mrs Newby/Miss Sherry  
Teaching assistant: Mrs Rice

## RWJ

Teacher: Mrs Whelan Jones  
Teaching assistant: Miss Howard

## RR

Teacher: Miss Richmond  
Teaching assistant: Mrs Edgar

## RMc

Teacher: Mrs McKie  
Teaching assistant: Mrs Dimisianou

It is such an honour to be part of making your child's first year in school the best it can possibly be! At the start of the year we focus on getting to know each other, learn rules and routines to ensure a safe learning environment where all can thrive. We take this time to gain an understanding of their individual starting point for learning at Dovedale. All of our children are unique and have different experiences so it is very important to us to enjoy these first few weeks listening, observing and interacting with them all in their play. We also love to get to know our families so please keep us up to date with any information you feel is important for us to know in school.

Thank you!  
Mrs Newby

## Personal, Social, Emotional Development

### Being me in my world

Who...me?  
How am I feeling today?  
Being at school  
Gentle hands  
Our rights  
Our responsibilities

### Celebrating difference

What am I good at?  
I'm special, I'm Me!  
Families  
House and homes  
Making friends  
Standing up for yourself

## Expressive Arts and Design

Introduction to our musical instruments



Sing nursery rhymes

Children will create self portraits using collage and paint. They will explore colour mixing through mark making.

Children will make a 3D celebration card. They will be taught scissor skills, how to fold paper and how best to attach materials together.

## Class Dojo

We communicate during school hours through the Class Dojo App, where you can see posts of children's work or other information about the learning. You are also able to add to your child's portfolio if they would like to share home learning, news about clubs they attend of any they would like to talk about at news time.



**ClassDojo**

School website

For more detailed information in all subjects visit the Year R class page and curriculum pages at [www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk](http://www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk)

## What's happening this term?

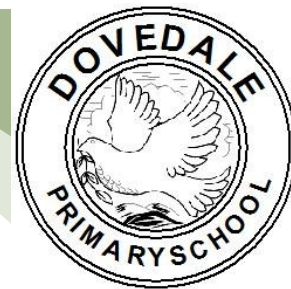
### Read, Write Inc Phonics

Children will learn single-letter set 1 sounds and learn to orally blend sounds into words with Fred the frog.



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## Understanding the World

### People, Cultures and Communities

#### **Which stories are special and why?**

Children will talk about the books they love to read again and again. We will also talk about other books that they believe are special to them such as baby books, message books from nursery teachers etc. Children will become familiar with the idea that some books are holy books. They will learn stories from and about holy books, including Jesus and Prophet Muhammad.

#### **Which people are special and why?**

Children will think about people who are special, including themselves, their peers and members of the wider community.

## Physical Development

### **Introduction to PE**

Moving safely  
Following instructions  
Develop control of equipment  
Working co-operatively with a partner

### **Fundamentals**

Balancing whilst stationary and on the move.  
Changing direction when running  
Jumping and landing safely  
Exploring different ways to travel.

### The Natural World

#### **Materials**

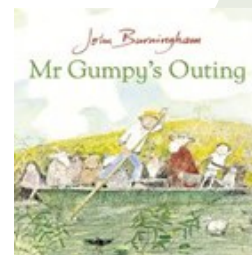
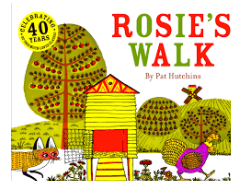
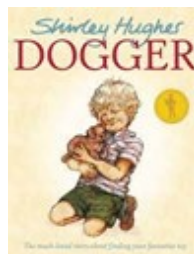
Children will sort materials into groups and explain how they have been sorted. We will talk about how things such as ice and chocolate change, make predictions and explain what they notice. We will explore why some things float and some things sink and make predictions.

#### **Seasons**

Children will also reflect on the seasons and what changes we have noticed. We will talk about the different clothes we wear at different times of the year, the different weather that is typical of different seasons and take part in some experiments.

## Literacy and Wider Reading

Children learn stories and new vocabulary through song. They will begin to make marks on the paper using the sounds they learn in phonics and use these marks to represent words.



## Number

Pupils match and sort objects and explain how they have been sorted. They will compare amounts saying which has more or fewer, or if they are equal. Pupils will learn to subitise amounts. They will represent and compose numbers to 5 and say which is one more and less.

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